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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

GIROUARD et al.

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Application No.: 09/877,188

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Examiner: Luby, Matthew D.

Title: SNOWMOBILE RIDER POSITIONING

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September 16, 2003

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed document.

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to U.S. Application No. 09/472,134, filed November 26, 1999. The reference listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 was cited in that application.

This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicants to comply fully.

As this IDS is being filed more than three months after the reference was cited, please accept this IDS under Rule 97(c) and charge the requisite Rule 17(p) fee of \$180.00 to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 (Order No. 86169/25700) to consider this IDS.

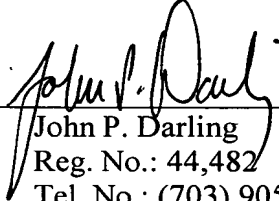
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner confirm the careful and independent consideration in the next official communication by return of an initialed and dated PTO-1449 form in accordance with the provisions of MPEP 609.

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